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EASLEY ANNOUNCES VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMISSION MEMBERS

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has named five members to the Veterans Affairs Commission.

Easley appointed **Bob Sanford** of Laurinburg, Veteran Service Officer for Scotland County, to serve on the commission.

Easley reappointed **W. Dudley Robbins** of Willard, co-founder of Robbins Nursery, Inc. and a retired Lieutenant Colonel of the Active Reserves; **Van G. Whitaker** of Dobson, unit manager at the North Carolina Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company and a member of the VFW since 1988; **C. Marcelle Williams** of Faith, now retired and a member of the North Carolina American Legion for the past 50 years; **Darrell Holt** of Burlington, president of J.M. Holt and Sons Construction Company and a member of the VFW since 1984; **Ben Halterman** of Wilmington, a life insurance agent with Jefferson-Pilot Life Insurance Company, former mayor of Wilmington and lifelong member of the American Legion and VFW.

The Veterans Affairs Commission assists and advises the Governor on matters pertaining to North Carolina's veterans and their dependants. The commission also oversees the state's veterans programs and scholarship program for children of war veterans.

The Governor appoints one honorably discharged wartime veteran from each of the 12 congressional districts. All 12 members of the board serve four-year terms.

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